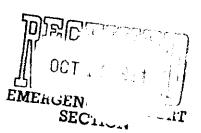


INSTEEL INDUSTRIES, INC.

October 12, 1994

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Re: Conservation Chemical Company of Illinois, Inc. Site, Gary, Indiana

Dear Ms. Beasley:

This letter acknowledges our receipt on October 7, 1994, of EPA's letter dated September 28, 1994, from Richard C. Karl, Chief, Emergency and Enforcement Response Branch, regarding the above-referenced site.

Please be advised that Rappahannock Wire Company/Insteel Industries, Inc. is a member of the Conservation Chemical Company of Illinois, Inc. <u>De Minimis</u> Group, and Rappahannock Wire Company/Insteel Industries, Inc. will continue to work with EPA through the <u>De Minimis</u> Group regarding this matter.

Please let me know if EPA requires any additional response from Rappahannock Wire Company/Insteel Industries, Inc. in connection with the letter dated September 28, 1994.

Very truly yours,

Gary D. Kniskern

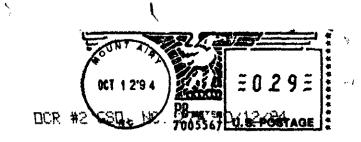
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